REPORT ON INFORMATION COLLECTED CONCERNING APPLICANT

Under section 60835 of title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, the Bureau of State Audits
is responsible for collecting information concerning applicants for the Citizens Redistricting
Commission that is needed by the Applicant Review Panel to perform its responsibilities. This is
a report by Bureau staff in compliance with that responsibility.

Name of Applicant: Michael Ward
Information: In reviewing Applicant's application materials, Bureau staff noticed that in Applicant's initial application he reported annual household income between \$35,000 and \$74,999, that in the "Employment History" section of his supplemental application he listed his current employment as working as a chiropractor for Renfro Chiropractic, but on his Form 700 he reported receiving only \$500 to \$1,000 in income from Renfro Chiropractic for continuing education and expense reimbursements. Staff therefore asked Applicant for additional information to try to reconcile these statements. Applicant responded that he receives only a small amount of income from his work as a chiropractor, but he receives additional income from
the federal government, which need not be disclosed on the Form 700.
Bureau staff contacted Leland Wilson, the author of one of Applicant's letters of recommendation, to confirm the information provided in the letter and receive any additional information that may be relevant. Mr. Wilson confirmed the information in the letter and added that as a former member of the military, Applicant lives by a code of honor and is very gracious, cool, calm, and collected, even when he disagrees with another person. Mr. Wilson stated that Applicant listens to other people's viewpoints and takes their views into account when making decisions and when interacting with groups and individuals.
Recommendation: None.
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